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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: MARR, UK, EC

SUBJECT: TRANSIT OF ASCENSION ISLAND

REF: STATE 061321

1. ECUADORIAN EMBASSY HERE HAS AGAIN REQUESTED APPROVAL
FOR TRANSIT OF ASCENSION WITH TWO ECUADORIAN AIR FORCE
(FAE) JAGUARS ON JUNE 2, WITH A WINDOW OF EIGHT DAYS
THEREAFTER. AIR FORCE APPROVES THE FAE TRANSIT ON THE
UNDERSTANDING THAT THE AIRCRAFT ARE ECUADORIAN STATE
AIRCRAFT. DOD HAS BEEN CONSULTED.

2. FOR LONDON: DEPARTMENT DOES NOT KNOW IF ECUADORIANS
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HAVE APPROACHED UK AUTHORITIES FOR APPROVAL OF THIS TRANSIT.
FOR YOUR USE IN DISCUSSION WITH THE FCO, THE PARTICULARS
IN ECUADORIAN DIPLOMATIC NOTE OF MAY 9 ARE FORWARDED IN
PARA 3 BELOW. YOU SHOULD ALSO POINT OUT TO FCO THAT IF
CONTINGENCY MAINTENANCE SUPPORT FOR JAGUARS AT ASCENSION
IS TO BE PROVIDED BY BRITISH COMMERCIAL CARRIER, FCO (NOT
COMMERCIAL CARRIER), SHOULD NOTIFY US THROUGH OFFICIAL

CHANNELS. IN JANUARY, THE BA REPRESENTATIVE IN WASHINGTON CALLED THE DEPARTMENT ON THE EVE OF THE FIRST JAGUAR TRANSIT REQUESTING APPROVAL FOR A BA COMET TO LAND AT ASCENSION WITH SPARE PARTS IF REQUIRED. WE APPROVED THE JANUARY CONTINGENCY LANDING ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THE COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT WOULD BE OPERATED ON BEHALF OF HMG IN A MANNER SIMILAR TO OUR MAC CHARTERS. WE WOULD BE PREPARED TO APPROVE A SIMILAR REQUEST FOR CONTINGENCY SUPPORT BUT WE ASK THAT AN OFFICIAL REQUEST BE MADE TO WASHINGTON THROUGH THE FCO TO GIVE SUBSTANCE TO OUR ASSUMPTION THAT THE FLIGHT INVOLVES A MAJOR HMG INTEREST.

3. PARTICULARS OF ECUADORIAN DIPLOMATIC NOTE NUMBER 4-2-56/77.

TYPE: JAGUAR SINGLE SEAT, NUMBERS FAE 302 AND FAE 305.
CALL SIGNS: GAC 01 AND BAC 02.
PILOTS: A. LOVE AND T. FERGUSON

ALTERNATE PILOT AND COPILOT: TAYLER, J. EVANS AND J. COCKBURN

LANDING TIME: JUNE 2, 1977 ASCENSION FHAW AT 1400 GMT

DEPARTURE TIME: JUNE 3, 1977 0800 GMT

PURPOSE OF THE FLIGHT: TRANSPORT THE AIRCRAFT TO ECUADOR

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FUEL: 7,500 KILOGRAMS OF FUEL JP-1 AND 20 LTS. OF OXYGEN

THE PLANES WILL NOT CARRY ANY WEAPONRY OR PHOTOGRAPHIC EQUIPMENT.
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Message Attributes

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